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BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

Because of its undisturbed composition and potential to yield high degrees of archaeological information, the entire 17-acre Government Island site is included in this proposed National Register boundary, with the exception of the marshlands on the southern and western parts of the island. The boundary encompasses the entire area of historic significance that has yet to be compromised, unlike the marsh areas. All the remaining quarry sites and areas of archaeological significance are included in this property, which is entirely owned by the Stafford County government minus a one-acre parcel on the western side of the island that has been owned by the Stafford County Boy Scouts since 1964. Incidentally this one-acre tract is the same parcel purchased by Robert Stuart from George Brent in 1786.